### **BOB JONES University**

# ONCERT, OPERA & DRAMA SERIES

PRESENTS

COMMENCEMENT CONCERT

## THIS STRUGGLE CALLED AMERICA

A Drama in Three Parts With Narrative and Music

with

The University Symphony Orchestra and Combined Choirs

conducted by Jay-Martin Pinner

Narrative written, compiled, and directed by Donald Ryerson

Readers: David Burke, Elizabeth Edwards, Chuck Nicholas, Edward Panosian, Donald Ryerson

#### PROLOGUE

The Star Spangled Banner
University Choirs, Orchestra, Readers, Audience
ACT I
The Struggle to Become Free
"Chester" from NEW ENGLAND TRIPTYCH William Schuman Orchestra
"The Shot Heard Round the World" John Hyde Preston
"The God Who Gave Us Life" from THE TESTAMENT OF FREEDOM Randall Thompson Men's Chorus and Orchestra
INTERMISSION*
ACT II
The Struggle to Live Free
Scene One
Prologue from WESTERN STAR Stephen Vincent Benet
Frontier Suite
Scene Two
Civil War Poems and Songs arr. Timothy Fisher,  Donald Ryerson
Men's Chorus

#### ACT III

#### The Struggle to Remain Free

"In Flanders Field"
American Salute
"Mountain Fighting" from BRAVE MEN Ernie Pyle
"I Shall Not Die Without a Hope" from THE TESTAMENT OF FREEDOM Randall Thompson Men's Chorus and Orchestra
EPILOGUE
America the Beautiful Samuel Ward

#### PRODUCTION STAFF

University Choirs, Orchestra, Readers

arr. Dwight Gustafson

Choral Preparation		 	 		Timothy Fisher
Production Manager		 	 		Melvin Stratton
<b>Assistant Production</b>	Manager	 	 		Dan Hill
Sound			 	Max Maste	rs. Doug Manor

#### FOUNDER'S MEMORIAL AMPHITORIUM May 26, 1984 8:00 P.M.

\*Chimes will sound and lobby lights will flash three minutes before the end of intermission.

Cameras and recording equipment are not permitted in the Amphitorium during any performance.

